

## **REMARKS**

### **I. Claim Amendments**

With this response, claims 14 and 16 are amended and claim 17 is cancelled. Amendments to claims 14 and 16 are made to correct typographical errors. Thus, the amendments are supported by the claims and the specification as originally filed.

### **II. 5 U.S.C. § 102(b)**

Claim 17 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) for being anticipated by Czarnik et al. (US 4,780,536). The Examiner contends that Czarnik et al. disclose compounds represented by the Chemical Formula 1 as defined in claim 17.

The Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's rejection. However, in the interest of moving the present application to grant, the Applicants have cancelled claim 17, thus obviating any rejection to this claim.

### **III. Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully contend that all conditions of patentability are met in the pending claims as amended. All amendments herein are made without prejudice. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the application to issue.

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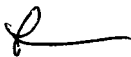
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